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[REDACTED] 1. Three troop trains carrying 51 T-34 tanks were seen at the Naumburg [REDACTED]

25X1 [REDACTED] enroute from Lossa toward Berlin.<sup>1</sup>

25X1 [REDACTED] 2. [REDACTED] 10 JS-3 tanks and four SP guns of the 78th

25X1 Guards Heavy Tank and SP Regiment of the 6th Guards Tank Division returned

25X1 to the Beseler Kaserne in Wittenberg. Martial law was lifted in Wittenberg  
and Piesteritz on 25 June.

25X1 [REDACTED] 3. [REDACTED] the Soviet troops in Aschersleben returned to

25X1 Quedlinburg. Guard duty continued to be performed by the KVP. As a result  
of the present arrest wave, a renewal of the general strike in the Quedlinburg  
area seems possible.

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[REDACTED] 4. The town of Beelitz was under martial law [REDACTED]

25X1 about 250 soldiers with 57 mm. AT guns and 20 trucks of either the 199th Light  
Artillery Brigade or of the 469th Howitzer Regiment of the 14th Guards Mechanized  
Division were assembled in the woods north of the railroad station.

The troops departed in the direction of Jueterbog [REDACTED]

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5. The curfew in Oranienburg was lifted on 26 June. The town was quiet.

6. According to Potsdam residents, strong tank forces were assembled in the Michendorf-Wilhelmsdorf-Caputh area

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7. Soviet vehicles observed in Berlin included: 22 trucks of the

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1st Mechanized Division at the intersection of Linden Strasse and Friedrich Strasse; an undermined number of T-34 tanks and 120 trucks of the 1st Mechanized Division on Thaelmann Platz; 22 canvas-covered tanks and 20 trucks of the 1st Mechanized Division at Klara Zetkin Strasse; 24 canvas-covered tanks, 18 armored cars and 25 trucks of the 12th Guards Tank Division on the West side of Invaliden Strasse; and 18 T-34 tanks and trucks of the 1st Mechanized and 12th Guards Tank Divisions at the Nordbahnhof.

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25X1 8. The following number of vehicles were observed in Berlin

25X1 Eight T-34 tanks at Pappel Platz; 28 T-34 tanks at Scharnhorst

Strasse; 14 T-34 tanks and eight four-barreled AA guns at the Lessing Theater; nine T-34 tanks at the Reichstag Ufer; and eight T-34 tanks and six medium AT guns on the Esplanade. It was believed that preparations for loading were made at the Nordbahnhof.

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25X1 9. about 120 canvas covered tanks were observed on Koepenicker

Strasse, between Leander Strasse and Michael Kirch Strasse, and about 300

25X1 tanks at the Wuhlheide hospital in Karlshorst. 20 trucks towing

medium AT guns of the 14th Guards Mechanized Division, 40 T-34 tanks and trucks of the 12th Guards Tank Division, and 30 trucks probably belonging to the 9th Guards Tank Division were seen at the Friedrichshain Park. The soldiers were bivouacked.

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10. the Berlin Regional Railroad Headquarters was

25X1 ordered to furnish 15 trains. Preparations for the departure of troops were observed in East Berlin. It is assumed that the trains were to be made available for the Soviet units employed to quell the East Berlin riots.

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1. Comment: Probably tanks of the 21st Mechanized Division which were detrained in Halle.

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